

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN HONOR OF JANIS KING ARNOLD

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 19, 2008

Mr. KUCINICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Janis King Arnold, and in recognition of 36 outstanding years of service in the Cleveland Metro School District. She has been instrumental in bringing innovative educational programs to the Greater Cleveland Area.

Janis Arnold has a multifaceted and rich history in public service and recently retired from a long and illustrious career in the Cleveland Metro School District. She attended public schools in the Greater Cleveland Area and went on to earn a degree in Education from Central State University. During her 36-year tenure in the Cleveland Metro School District, Mrs. Arnold served as a classroom teacher, parent engagement coordinator, administrative intern and assistant principal. She was further able to demonstrate her leadership skills when she became Principal of John Buhner School in 1987—a position she would remain in until her retirement in August of this year. During her time at John Buhner School, Mrs. Arnold instituted a unique dual language program at the school—the first program of its kind in the State of Ohio. The program, designed to foster cross-cultural understanding and to give students the proper tools to become bilingual is partly funded through a grant by the U.S. Department of Education. She also expanded the school's music program through a grant from VH1's Save the Music Program and through partnerships with the Cleveland Museum of Art and the Cleveland Cultural Coalition.

Mrs. Arnold has been recognized several times for leadership, innovative work and the relationships she forged between numerous churches and community agencies. Under her leadership, John Buhner School was awarded the School of Excellence Award from Esperanza, Inc. in 2001 and the Excelling School Award in 1997. Mrs. Arnold was recognized at the 21st Annual Multicultural/Multilingual Conference for her significant contributions to multicultural education.

Madam Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honor of Janis King Arnold, and in recognition of her significant contributions to education in the Greater Cleveland Area. May her work on fostering cross-cultural understanding and work with community organizing serve as an example for all of us to follow.

TRIBUTE TO MAJOR GENERAL
JOHN E. MURRAY

HON. BILL PASCRELL, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 19, 2008

Mr. PASCRELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and accomplishments of veteran, civil servant, and author Major General John E. Murray (United States Army Retired).

Born in Clifton, New Jersey, November 22, 1918, General Murray was drafted into the United States Army in 1941 as a private leaving his studies at St. John's University and rose to the rank of Major General. The career that followed was to take him through three wars, ten campaigns and logistic and transportation operations throughout the world. He earned his LL.B. from New York Law School in 1949, LL.D. in 1975 and M.A. from George Washington University in 1961. He was a member of the New York and United States Supreme Court Bar as well as a member of the Korean War.

He fought and served bravely during the Korean War and went on to become the Director of Army Transportation in 1969 and 1970. He then served as Chief of Logistics to the Pacific Command and Chief of Logistics for the Military Assistance Command from 1972 until late 1973, under the command of Admiral John S. McCain, Sr. After the cease of hostilities in Vietnam, he remained as chief military in charge of intelligence operations and support of the Vietnamese Armed Forces.

President Reagan called General Murray back to service in 1988–1989 where he served as the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict. He was inducted into the Army Transportation Corps Hall of Fame, located at Fort Eustis, Virginia in 2001.

After retiring from the military he served as Vice President of the Association of American Railroads and as special counsel to American International Underwriters. He served on the White House Agent Orange Working Group and the Defense Intelligence Task Force on POWs and MIAs. He also served with the White House Office of Science and Technology on epidemiological studies and with industry of a variety of legal and logistics matters.

General Murray lectured at Georgetown University on Crisis Management and at the National Defense University. He was a prolific author of articles involving logistics and business matters and also contributed book reviews to Time-Life books and National Defense Transportation magazine. Publications include Lawyers, Computers and Power; War Transport; Show Biz; The Myths of Business and the Business of Myths; Sweet Adversity; and The U.S. Army, how it Motivates.

Among his numerous awards were the D.S.M.; Legion of Merit; the Italian War Cross,

Knight Order Crown of Italy; and decorations from the Korean and Vietnamese Governments.

Madam Speaker, I was truly saddened by the death of General Murray. I would like to extend my deepest condolences to his family. My thoughts and prayers are with his daughter Valerie, of Norfolk Virginia, his granddaughter Shana and grandson Andrew of Norfolk Virginia; his brother Danny of Arlington Virginia, and a large extended family.

HONORING REVEREND DR. J.
ALFRED SMITH, SR.

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. LEE. Madam Speaker, I rise today with my colleague, Congressman PETE STARK, to honor the extraordinary life accomplishments of the Reverend Dr. J. Alfred Smith, Sr. He is a leader, teacher, spiritual guide, and inspiration to all who know him. Pastor Smith will be retiring this year from his position as Senior Pastor at Allen Temple Baptist Church in Oakland, California.

Pastor Smith has led this church and our community for 40 years. In that time he has positively influenced countless lives and left an indelible mark. It is without doubt that his legacy will continue to inspire people and promote the strong ideals and unwavering humanity Pastor Smith has always stood for.

Throughout his life and tenure as Senior Pastor, Dr. Smith championed the causes of the poor and the disenfranchised. Through his many publications, interviews, and sermons, Dr. Smith reminded us everyday of our human obligation and the standards of dignity, charity, and common love that we must all live by. In the Greater Bay Area, he also spearheaded groundbreaking programs to reach out to those most in need and assist them in their struggles. He is an individual who never failed to practice what he preached, and who has used his own life as an example with grace, humility, and an unsurpassable kindness and empathy for others.

The ministries and message of Dr. J. Alfred Smith, Sr. has made an impact locally, nationally, and internationally. From testifying before the United Nations in New York City in 1989 against the apartheid government in South Africa to securing affordable housing for seniors, he has dedicated his career to promoting peace and equality. His work has inspired and uplifted people from all faiths and backgrounds to dedicate their lives to this same noble pursuit.

This is Dr. Smith's true gift to us all—the gift of positive influence. He has inspired our leaders and our children to carry on the difficult fight for justice in a way that is both compassionate and relentless.

Through the many programs for youth that he has created and supported, Dr. Smith has invested himself fully in the education of the

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next generations. By doing this, he has created irreplaceable opportunities which would not have existed for these children without him. By remaining personally involved in their experiences and progress, he has empowered them to believe in the importance of their own efforts and to commit themselves to carrying others up behind him, as he has done for so many years. Dr. Smith has shown our community that we can live our lives with eloquence, devotion, and with a deep respect for all of God's children.

In Pastor Smith's retirement years, it is certain that he and his brilliant and beautiful wife, the Reverend Bernestine Farley-Smith, will continue to contribute to our society immensely and spread the benefits of their many collective years of experience by serving their community, enjoying their family, and most importantly walking and talking with God.

Today, the residents of California's 9th and 13th Congressional Districts join with the members of Allen Temple Baptist Church, its community allies, fellow congregations, and Pastor Smith's loving family to celebrate his years of service and wish him a most happy and fruitful retirement. Our sincere gratitude goes out to Dr. Smith's three sons, two daughters, fourteen grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren for sharing this visionary leader and wonderful human being with us. We are all better people for having had the blessing of this man's friendship and guidance. May he and his wife rejoice and enjoy their time together for many happy years to come.

HONORING THE SERVICE AND RETIREMENT OF JIM TURNER

HON. BART GORDON

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 19, 2008

Mr. GORDON of Tennessee. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the service of a valued staff member—James H. Turner, Jr.—who will retire at the end of this year from the staff of the Committee on Science and Technology. As the Chief Counsel for the Full Committee, Jim's expertise in law and science policy is unmatched.

Jim first came to Capitol Hill as Legislative Counsel for Congressman Gary Myers in 1975. During his 29 years of working on the Hill, Jim has served many roles for the Committee, including Technology Team Leader and Subcommittee Staff Director. He has worked across the board on the Committee's legislative agenda, especially in the areas of technology and energy policy. In addition, Jim's dedication and hard work were crucial to the creation and passage of the Stevenson-Wydler Act and the Bayh-Dole Act which reshaped technology transfer policy. Also, Jim played a key role in the development and maintenance of the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program.

Jim holds degrees from Georgetown and Yale Universities and from Westminster College and attended the Senior Managers in Government Program at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government. Before his time on the Committee, Jim worked for Wheelabrator-Frye, Congressman Myers, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). In addition,

he served on the Clinton Presidential transition team and as a social worker for the state of Connecticut.

Outside of work, Jim is involved in his church as a Chairperson for the St. Columba's Episcopal Church Outreach Steering Committee. Jim also dedicates his time to advising young people as a mentor for the Georgetown University Law School and as the Washington Coordinator for the MIT/UVA summer internship program. Over the years, Jim has been known for his efforts in helping young professionals obtain jobs and providing ongoing career advice.

Madame Speaker, Jim's dedication and work ethic have made him a valued member of the Committee staff. I know that all of the Science and Technology Committee's Members and staff wish him and his wife Betty well in their journey ahead. In closing, I just want to say thank you, Jim, for your many years of dedicated public service. You will be missed.

TRIBUTE TO JOE BOLGER

HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 19, 2008

Mr. CLEAVER. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor one of Jackson County's finest political leaders, Joe Bolger, Jr. who died on November 18, 2008. He grew up proud of his Eastern Jackson County roots. He attended the University of Missouri and graduated with a bachelor of science in 1955. By the age of 36 he was happily married to Joanne Kobe Bolger and had three children, Kathleen, Brian and Craig. By this time in his life, he had garnered the respect of his community as he served as president of the Jackson County Chamber and had been appointed to the State Water Pollution Board by Missouri Governor Warren E. Hearnes. With the support of friends and family he entered the political arena running for the Democratic nomination for Jackson County Eastern District Judge, a seat that had been held by President Harry S. Truman. He filed his papers at the Jackson County Clerk's office in the Independence Courthouse, which he insisted was the real county seat, a debate that continues today.

In 1970 Joe Bolger, Jr. was elected Eastern Judge of Jackson County, joining Presiding Judge George W. Lehr and Western Judge Harry Wiggins. All three judges were in their 30's with Joe Bolger, Jr. being the youngest of the judges. They were a dynamic combination and set Jackson County on a path of prosperity and growth. He was a strong advocate and defender for Eastern Jackson County. He believed in listening and learning from his constituents. While fighting for the rights of Eastern Jackson County, Joe Bolger, Jr. stated in The Kansas City Star article, "We would like to look upon you as our big brother. . . . not be seen as stepchildren. The eastern and western districts are two different worlds, and I'm not pleased with your attitude toward the balance of the county." He spoke of the future and warned that the population would soon shift outside Kansas City. He fought for the sports complex, infrastructure improvements, economic opportunities, and better schools.

He served for two years, 1971 and 1972. History will record that he was the last Eastern

Jackson County Judge. In his last year, 1972, the Truman Sports Complex opened in Eastern Jackson County. We were the talk of the sports nation as we cut the ribbon on the top designed major league facilities.

By 1973, Jackson County had adopted a charter form of government, consisting of a County Executive and 15 legislators. Joe Bolger Jr. was voted to continue his service as a member of the original 15 legislators, representing northeast Jackson County. He was a powerful voice as he served with three Jackson County Executives. After the second County Executive, Mike White, decided not to run for another term, many asked Joe Bolger, Jr. to run but he declined. He served on the Jackson County Legislature for ten years, leaving all of Jackson County a better place to live. He brought industry and commerce to Eastern Jackson County and watched as the population grew. He was instrumental in the Little Blue Valley Sewer District and the continued development of Eastern Jackson County. He believed in a Truman style of government of plain speaking and respect for his community. He will always be remembered as highly intelligent, a caring father, and advocate for his constituency.

Madam Speaker, please join me in expressing our appreciation to the life and accomplishments of Joe Bolger, Jr. His legacy lives on in Jackson County as his work and dedication lead to the betterment of our community. I urge my colleagues of the 110th Congress to join me in remembering a great man from Eastern Jackson County.

HONORING NANCY HICKS MAYNARD

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 19, 2008

Ms. LEE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the extraordinary life and accomplishments of one of our nation's greatest trailblazers. The renowned journalist and activist for truth in media, Nancy Hicks Maynard, passed away on September 21, 2008 at the age of 61. Her vivacious and extraordinary presence will be greatly missed, however her life's work has ensured that future generations will continue to benefit from her courageous impact indefinitely.

A news pioneer and the first African-American woman to own a major daily newspaper in America, Nancy Hicks Maynard was an inspiration to all who knew her. Her incredible journalism career began in 1966 when, outraged by inaccurate and destructive reporting on her neighborhood, Nancy broke onto the scene as a reporter for the New York Post at the age of 20.

From there she went on to work at the New York Times. At that time she was the Times' youngest staff reporter. However, that did not prevent Nancy from covering the hottest issues. From the Apollo space missions to African-American student takeovers at Columbia and Cornell universities, and the mid-sixties urban rebellions, Nancy was on the ground working nonstop to ensure that these stories were reaching the public not only through an objective lens, but from the viewpoint of a young person of color—something shamefully nonexistent in the media at that time.